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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

John F. Fairclough *et al.*

Application No.: 09/717,576

Filed: November 21, 2000

For: A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
VERIFYING, SETTling, PRINTING  
AND GUARANTEEING CHECKS  
AT A REMOTE LOCATION

Examiner: John M. Winter

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231-9998

Sir:

In response to the Office Action, mailed December 10, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows: